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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

FIRST-NAMED INVENTOR: DeGroot  
FOR: HIV VACCINE CANDIDATE PEPTIDES

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Boston, Massachusetts

Box PATENT APPLICATION  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

REQUEST FOR FILING A CONTINUING UTILITY APPLICATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

1. This is a request for filing a continuing application under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b).  
(Check the appropriate boxes and supply the requisite information)  
This application is a:  
☐ Continuation; ☒ Divisional; ☐ Continuation-in-part of prior application U.S.S.N. 09/351,036.
2. Priority to the above application(s) is claimed under:  
☒ 35 U.S.C. §120  
Prior application information:  
Examiner: Parkin; Group Art Unit: 1648.  
☐ 35 U.S.C. §119  
Priority of application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.  
☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior application U.S.S.N. \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_,\_\_\_\_ on [Date].  
☐ The certified copy will follow.

APPLICATION ELEMENTS:

3. ☒ Specification and Drawings (Total pages:):  
Specification (58 pages); Claims (2 pages); Abstract (1 page); and  
Drawings: 11 sheets; FIGS. 1-11.  
☐ Formal  
☒ Informal
4. ☒ Oath or Declaration (Total pages: 3):  
(a) ☐ Newly executed (original)  
(b) ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. §1.63(d))
5. ☒ Incorporation by Reference (*can use if Box 4(b) is checked*)  
The entire Disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4(b), is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6. ☒ Statement Claiming Small Entity Status  
☒ Copy of Statement filed in prior application (status still proper and desired)

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS:

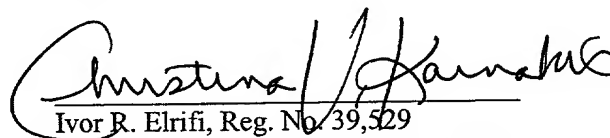
7. Fee Calculation:

- ☒ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed herewith. Please enter the claim amendments prior to calculating the filing fee.

CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. 1.16(a) \$740.00
Total Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c))	12	- 20 =	0	\$ 18.00	0
Independent Claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b))	3	- 3 =	3	\$84.00	\$
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 C.F.R. 1.16(d))				\$280.00	0
SUBTOTAL:					\$740.00
Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity:					- \$370.00
TOTAL FEE:					\$370.00

8. ☒ A check in the amount of \$370.00 (#10662) is enclosed.
9. ☐ Deletion of Inventor(s)  
This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d)(4).  
☐ DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
10. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit overpayments or charge all additional fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Ref. No. 17999-001 DIV (BURF-1 DIV).
11. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard Enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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